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2002 Annual Monitor Advocate Training and MAFO Conference **SUBJECT:**

- 1. **Purpose.** To inform State Employment Security Agencies (SESAs) of the Annual Monitor Advocate Training and MAFO Conference to be held in San Diego, California, February 17 – 21, 2002.
- 2. **Reference.** Federal Regulation at 20 CFR 653.108(e) states that State Monitor Advocates shall attend training sessions required by the Regional or National Monitor Advocate.
- 3. Background. The Annual Monitor Advocate Training will be held in conjunction with the Midwest Association of Farmworkers Organization (MAFO), a Partnership of National Farmworker Organizations. The Training and Conference focus on timely topics and information sharing, both essential to the effective functioning of Monitor Advocates. Topics will include updates on the new Labor Exchange Performance Measures and the integration of Migrant & Seasonal Farmworkers (MSFWs) into the One-Stop System. Also, the participants will have the opportunity to establish ties that foster partnerships with the National Farmworker Jobs Programs (WIA Section 167 grantees), community-based organizations, and entities responsible for providing services to MSFWs.
- 4. Logistics. The Training and Conference will be held at the Town and Country Resort and Convention Center, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, California. The Conference rates are the following: single, \$99.00 and double, \$119.00 plus taxes. To make reservations, please call 1-800-772-8527. Please identify yourself as an attendee of the MAFO 2002 Annual Conference.
- 5. **Registration.** The early bird registration fee is \$200.00, and must be postmarked no later than January 11, 2002. The regular registration fee rate is \$225.00, and must be postmarked between January 11 and February 8, 2002. Late registration fee (postmarked after February 8, 2002) is \$250.00. A copy of the Conference schedule, registration form and hotel information are attached and are also available at http://www.mafofarmworker.com/mafocon.htm.
- 6. Action Required. Administrators are encouraged to authorize the attendance and participation of the State Monitor Advocates. In addition to the State Monitor Advocates, it is highly recommended that outreach staff, State Employment Service Directors, State Wagner-Peyser funded staff, and One-Stop staff interested in learning more about MSFW customer service needs also attend this Conference.

7. **Inquiries.** Questions concerning this issuance should be directed to Doris Lissette Geán, Regional Monitor Advocate, at dgean@doleta.gov or 617-565-2268.

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